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Dear Mark,

Thanks very much for the fine batch of articles with your 12/28, here yesterday only. I appreciate the time and cost you invested very much.

Although I realize you may be home or elsewhere on the break on the chance you are not I write immediately because of your plans to be here between the 12th and 20th. I will be away the 14th, a trip to Johns Hopkins that always tires me.

A few hasty comment on your letter and answers to questions:

Nightline taped me for close to two hours and that is all they used!

What you propose doing about Belin, questioning him, is worthwhile and may be in ways you do not anticipate. He has been psycho on the subject for years, driven while being eaten up by it as he seeks self-justification. I debated him once and found that he regards himself as omniscient, that anyone who disagrees with him is ignorant, that he is incredibly long-winded and can be quite evasive, at length.

I do not know that any rifle was found on the TSB roof. I've heard reports but seen no proof. I believe that was started by Penn "ones.

You postulate three theories. The one that involves Oswald least is that he "was not involved in the shooting." How about a fourth, not knowing involved at all?

You seem to assume that Oswald was on the sixth floor and got to the second before Baker. I think this is not correct, that he was not there, sixth floor, to begin with. There is a probative case that he was not and was on street level. On the former, check with what I first wrote about it, in Whitewash.

In your last graf you assume that there was a rifleman in that sixth floor window, another man. I remember no proof that any shot was fired from there. Much preconception and conjecture only, and with so many people in the area, I think one would have been seen. That there was little or no prospect of escape from the building bears on this. I do not recall that LHO denied carrying curtain rods that day. You probably refer to some report. But ^{there} ~~there~~ is nothing to indicate that he carried a rifle to work that day and all the evidence is that he did not. Again, recheck Whitewash on this.

While there are questions about those backyard photos, there were so many it is not likely they were faked unless on the negatives, and I think there is no indication of this there.

Thanks and best wishes,

On, by the way, ^{Dr. David} Wrote will be here after the 15th and we are to work and would not want any interruption. So I hope it all works out. *He should know when in a few days*

thanks and best wishes,

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